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SUBJECT: FAA ASSISTANCE TO ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION

REF: (A) DACCA 01133; (B) DACCA 01576

1. FOLLOWING RESPONDS TO REFTELS A AND B REGARDING FAA BILL FOR EXPENSES INCURRED IN CONJUNCTION WITH ELLSWORTH CHING'S VISIT TO BANGLADESH. BREAKOUT OF 688 DOLLARS PER DIEM CHARGE REFLECTED ON FAA BILL AS FOLLOWS: 391 DOLLARS IN COUNTRY PER DIEM FOR 17 DAYS PREDICATED ON FIFTY PER CENT OF DAILY PER DIEM RATE OF 46 DOLLARS, SINCE QUARTERS WERE PROVIDED AT NO EXPENSE TO EMPLOYEE; 203 DOLLARS PER DIEM ENTITLED TO EMPLOYEE WHILE TRAVELING TO DACCA AND RETURN TO DUTY POST; 51 DOLLARS LOCAL TAXI CHARGES TO AND FROM AMERICAN CLUB FOR MEALS; AND 43 DOLLARS FOR OTHER MISCELLANEOUS TAXI EXPENSES AND AIRPORT DEPARTURE TAXES. BASED ON EMBASSY STATEMENT CONTAINED "REFTEL A" THAT INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL BILL INCLUDES COST OF FOOD, FAA/W DISCUSSED MATTER WITH UNCLASSIFIED

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CHING, WHO INDICATED THAT ALL MEALS WERE NOT PROVIDED BY HOTEL DURING HIS STAY. IN VIEW OF FOREGOING AND SINCE ATTEMPT TO RESOLVE DIFFERENCES WITH HOTEL COULD RESULT IN RELATED COSTS BEING GREATER THAN AMOUNT TO BE COLLECTED, FAA BELIEVES THAT IT WOULD BE IN USG INTEREST NOT TO PURSUE THE MATTER. CONSEQUENTLY, FAA IS WILLING TO FOREGO RECOVERY OF THE 391 DOLLARS IN COUNTRY PER

DIEM AND RELATED 10 PERCENT OVERHEAD CONTAINED IN ITS BILL. EMBASSY MAY REVISE FAA BILL DOWNWARD TO NEW TOTAL OF 3,391 DOLLARS.

2. WITH REGARD TO TRANSPORTATION CHARGES, CHING'S TRANSPORTATION COSTS FROM GUAM TO BANGKOK WHILE ENROUTE TO BANGLADESH AS WELL AS COSTS FROM MANILA TO GUAM SUBSEQUENT TO COMPLETION OF HIS ASSIGNMENT WERE NOT MADE PART OF FAA BILL. THOSE COSTS WERE OMITTED SINCE CHING WAS A PASSENGER ON FAA FLIGHT INSPECTION AIRCRAFT CONDUCTING FLIGHT CHECK SERVICES IN THOSE AREAS DURING PERIODS OF TRAVEL. THE 525 DOLLARS TRANSPORTATION CHARGE RELATED ONLY TO THOSE PORTIONS OF TRAVEL DURING WHICH CHING WAS REQUIRED TO USE COMMERCIAL AIR CARRIERS. SPECIFIC POINTS COMMERCIAL AIR CARRIERS USED: BANGKOK TO DACCA DURING HIS TRAVEL TO BANGLADESH AND DACCA TO BANGKOK TO MANILA UPON HIS RETURN TO DUTY POST.

3. REGARDING EMBASSY REFERENCE TO PAYMENT OF COOLEY LOAN BY INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL, FAA ASSUMES IT HAS NO BEARING ON AMOUNTS CHARGED BY HOTEL FOR CHING'S STAY SINCE STATE 033443 REQUESTED EMBASSY TO PRESENT CHING'S INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL BILL TO BDG FOR DIRECT PAYMENT TO HOTEL.

4. COPY OF CHING'S EXPENSE VOUCHER BEING AIR POUCHED THIS DAY IN EVENT EMBASSY MAY WISH TO USE COPY TO SUPPORT FAA CHARGES.

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